

REMARKS

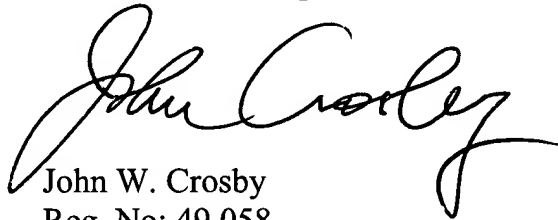
Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of claims 1-4, 6, 9 and 10. In the Advisory action mailed 7/16/04, Examiner rejects Claims 5-10 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Takayama, U.S. Patent 5,991,842. Claims 5, 7, 8 are currently amended to overcome this rejection.

On the basis of the above remarks, early consideration of this application and early allowance are respectfully requested.

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If the Examiner feels there are any remaining issues that may be resolved over the telephone, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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